

VEHICLE SAFETY DEFECT/NONCOMPLIANCE NOTICES RECEIVED DURING JULY 2006

Toyota is recalling 157,199 MY 2003-2005 Tundra pickup trucks for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 225, 'Child Restraint Anchorage Systems.' These vehicles have a manual air bag on-off switch to disable the front passenger air bag and do not have a child restraint lower anchorage system in the front passenger seat. This specification does not meet the standard requirements. This standard establishes requirements for child restraint anchorage systems to ensure their proper location and strength for the effective securing of child restraints, to reduce the likelihood of the anchorage systems' failure, and to increase the likelihood that child restraints are properly secured and thus more fully achieve their potential effectiveness in motor vehicles. Dealers will remove the manual air bag on-off switch, replace the owner's manual, and affix a new sun visor air bag warning label. The recall is expected to begin in late September 2006. (Toyota petitioned the agency for inconsequentiality in May 2005 – this petition was denied on June 23, 2006) 05V-254

Freightliner is recalling 64 MY 2003-2005 Unimog U500 trucks equipped with automatic shift. Air may leak into the clutch hydraulic system at the central release bearing seal preventing the clutch from opening completely and potentially preventing the transmission from shifting into neutral. Failure of the clutch to open completely or the transmission to shift into neutral could make the vehicle difficult to bring to a complete stop or cause the vehicle to roll forward while stopped increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the central release bearing and update the clutch actuation electronic control unit (ECU) software free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on September 20, 2006. 06V-237

DaimlerChrysler Manufacturing International is recalling 235 MY 2006 2500 and 3500 trucks built on Dodge and Freightliner chassis. The brake fluid used was contaminated with coolant. Due to the high water content the boiling point of the subject brake fluid is reduced. This may affect the proper function of the brake system during hard braking situations and may lead to an increasing brake distance which could result in a crash. Dealers will flush and replace the brake fluid free of charge. The recall began on July 17, 2006. 06V-238

Truck Equipment Service is recalling 5 MY 2006 Cornhusker 800 trailers equipped with Holland suspensions. The suspension beam casting may have a crack at the inboard, upper flange near the shock mount. As the beam crack grows, the suspension may lose alignment. The driver will experience difficulties in driving increasing the risk of a crash. Holland is conducting this recall (please see 06E059) and will inspect the trailers by using a dry magnetic particle method. Units with cracks will be replaced with a new beam axle assembly free of charge. 06V-239

DaimlerChrysler is recalling 230 MY 2006 Dodge Durango sport utility vehicles. The left rear suspension watts link may have been damaged during vehicle assembly and could fail. A failed watts link could adversely affect vehicle handling and cause a crash

without warning. Dealers will replace the left rear suspension watts link free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on July 17, 2006. 06V-240

MCI is recalling 1,768 MY 2003-2006 D, DLE3, D4000, D4500, MY 2001-2005 102EL3, E4500 and MY 2001-2005 J4500 motor coaches equipped with a slide switch to control the defroster blower speed. There is a speed controller for each of the two defroster fan motors. The speed controller may fail causing the fan motor to operate continuously in the "high" speed mode, and the carrier slide switch may fail to reduce or otherwise control the fan motor speed. As a result, the speed controller may overheat and result in a thermal event, such as smoking or possible fire. Dealers will replace the defroster speed controller free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on July 17, 2006. 06V-241

Nissan is recalling 200,866 MY 2003 Altima and Sentra passenger vehicles equipped with a 2.5L engine. A variation in temperature occurs due to the unique location of the sensor in the engine. Under certain driving conditions, these variations in temperature can be large enough to cause a brief interruption in the signal output from the sensor. If the interruption in the signal from the sensor is so brief that the electronic control module (ECM) logic does not have time to diagnose the condition, the engine may stop running without warning increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will reprogram the ECM free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on August 21, 2006. This recall was the subject of an investigation, RQ06-001, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 06V-242

Prevost is recalling 9 MY 2006 H45 and X3 motor coaches equipped with Bendix SR-7 brake valves. The check valve inside the valve cavity may not properly set, causing internal air leakage. If the check valve does not properly seat, the resulting leakage can cause a delay in the application of the spring brakes to park the vehicle after the operator pulls the dash valve button. The delayed parking brake application can occur without warning, leading to unintended vehicle rollaway increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will inspect the valves and replace it free of charge. 06V-243

Buell is recalling 1,021 MY 2006 XB12X Ulysses motorcycles. These motorcycles may have been built with two issues that could compromise the sidestand's performance. Either the pivot bolt for the sidestand leg or the mounting bracket bolts could break, possibly without notice. If either of these failures occurs, the motorcycle could fall, possibly causing death or injury. Dealers will replace the sidestand assembly and fasteners. The recall is expected to begin during July 2006. 06V-245

Wilson is recalling 54 MY 2007 Grain trailers equipped with Holland suspensions. The suspension beam casting may have a crack at the inboard upper flange near the shock mount. As the beam crack grows, the suspension may lose alignment. The driver will experience difficulties in driving increasing the risk of a crash. Holland is conducting this recall (please see 06E059) and will inspect the trailers by using a dry magnetic particle method. Units with cracks will be replaced with a new beam axle assembly free of charge. 06V-246

Timpte is recalling 68 MY 2006 Grain trailers equipped with Holland suspensions. The suspension beam casting may have a crack at the inboard upper flange near the shock mount. As the beam crack grows, the suspension may lose alignment. The driver will experience difficulties in driving increasing the risk of a crash. Holland is conducting this recall (please see 06E059) and will inspect the trailers by using a dry magnetic particle method. Units with cracks will be replaced with a new beam axle assembly free of charge. 06V-247

R-Vision is recalling 10 MY 2006-2007 Trail-Aire Class A motorhomes. Certain chassis may have been equipped with incorrect steering intermediate shafts. The spline can strip while the steering wheel is being turned. This steering condition could result in a loss of steering control, increasing the risk of a crash. Workhorse is conducting this recall (please see 06V148). They will inspect and, if necessary, replace the steering intermediate shafts free of charge. 06V-248

Cottrell is recalling 63 MY 2005-2006 car hauling trailers with an extra night loading light option (6 light/7 light). The tractor and trailer lights were wired to one switch rather than two separate switches. These lights may have a fuse in the electrical circuit that is rated higher than the other electrical components in the circuit. These components may potentially overheat without blowing the fuse and could cause a fire in the electrical circuit. One-switch circuits will be rewired to create two-switch circuits. All customers have been contacted to disable the night-loading light option and arrangements have been made to have these trailers repaired. 06V-249

Winnebago is recalling 1,021 MY 2006-2007 Itasca Sunova, Sunrise, Suncruiser, and Winnebago Sightseer, Voyage, and Adventurer motor homes built on Workhorse chassis. These motor homes may have been equipped with incorrect steering intermediate shafts. The steering could become loose at the steering box during tight steering maneuvers. This steering condition could result in a loss of steering control, increasing the risk of a crash. Workhorse is conducting this recall (please see 06V148) and will inspect and, if necessary, replace the steering intermediate shaft. 06V-250

Paccar is recalling 40 MY 2004-2005 Peterbilt Models 379 and 387 trucks. When using a Cummins electronic icon service tool 2.2, an unintended engine start will occur. Given the purpose and functionality of this service tool, this series of events would only occur in a service facility and could pose a hazard if the truck were to unexpectedly move or the engine to start without any warning, possibly causing personal injury. Cummins is conducting this recall (please see 06E063) and will replace the icon service tool 2.2 with a new icon service tool 2.3 free of charge. 06V-251

Girardin is recalling 157 MY 2006 MB II and MB IV school and transit buses built on Ford and GM chassis. The 7" diameter back-up lights, P/N 32EZZ014, fail to comply with the illumination requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment." The presence of the minibus may not be perceived correctly or its signal not understood by other motorists which

could possibly result in a vehicle crash. Girardin will notify owners and replace the noncompliant back-up lights free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during August 2006. 06V-252

Toyota is recalling 367,594 MY 2004-2005 Highlander; MY 2006 Highlander HEV; MY 2004-2005 Lexus RX330; and MY 2006 RX400H sport utility vehicles. The two retaining clips for the driver's side forward center console can become loose. If both clips separate from the floor carpet cover, the cover may lean toward the accelerator pedal, causing interference with the accelerator pedal rod. This condition may interfere with the accelerator pedal returning to the idle position increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the two floor carpet cover retaining clips free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in late July and should be completed by early September 2006. 06V-253

GM is recalling 1,184 MY 2006 Chevrolet 7500, 8500; GMC 7500, 8500; and Isuzu 7500 and 8500 medium duty trucks equipped Bendix SR-7 brake valves. The check valve inside the valve cavity may not properly set, causing internal air leakage. If the check valve does not properly seat, the resulting leakage can cause a delay in the application of the spring brakes to park the vehicle after operator pulls the dash valve button. The delayed parking brake application can occur without warning, leading to unintended vehicle rollaway increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will inspect the valves and replace it free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on July 19, 2006. 06V-254

Girardin is recalling an undetermined quantity of 2006 MB IV G5 school and commercial buses built on Ford and GM chassis. The two rear side windows and the more-view window may not be properly bonded to the window frame. These buses fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 217, "Bus Emergency Exits and Window Retention and Release." The windows may become detached from the window frame, possibly resulting in injury to pedestrians, motorists, or the vehicle occupants. Girardin will notify owners and repair the buses free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during August 2006. 06V-255

Four Winds is recalling 70 MY 2006 Hurricane and MY 2006-2007 Magellan and Windsport motor homes. Certain chassis may have been equipped with incorrect steering intermediate shafts. The spline can strip while the steering wheel is being turned. This steering condition could result in a loss of steering control, increasing the risk of a crash. Workhorse is conducting this recall (please see 06V148). They will inspect and, if necessary, replace the steering intermediate shaft free of charge. 06V-256

Keystone is recalling 72 MY 2007 Cougar fifth wheel trailers. These trailers may have been manufactured with axle springs that were rated for 4400 lbs. per axle instead of 5200 lbs. The axle springs may fail due to being overloaded if the vehicle is loaded beyond the capacity of the springs. Dealers will inspect and replace the axle spring with springs rated at 5200 lbs. per axle free of charge. The recall began on July 10, 2006. 06V-257

Polaris is recalling 3,902 MY 2004-2005 Victory Kingpin and MY 2004 Vegas motorcycles. The welded joint on the shift lever shaft may fail causing the shift lever to become inoperable. If the weld fails, the operator cannot shift gears, increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the shift lever shaft free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on July 28, 2006. 06V-258

Polaris is recalling 2,913 MY 2006 Victory Vegas, 8-Ball, Kingpin and Kingpin Deluxe motorcycle. The rear axle may crack or break at the retaining plate groove on the right side. Axle failure during operation could cause a loss of control, increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the rear axle free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on July 28, 2006. 06V-259

Mitsubishi Fuso is recalling 338 MY 2007 FK61F, FM61F, FM64F and FM65F trucks. The VIN label was printed with an improper gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) and gross axle weight rating (GAWR) for both the front and rear axles. A misprinted label would lead to improper vehicle loading specifications which could increase the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the VIN labels with corrected GVWR and GAWR values free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on July 21, 2006. 06V-260

Blue Bird is recalling 7,980 2004-2007 MY Vision school buses equipped with the option 40280-02 ammeter shunt. The power cable originally installed between the toe board and the shunt may be too short and may break due to engine vibration. Should the power cable break while the bus is in use, the bus could become stranded in an active lane which could possibly result in a vehicle crash. Blue bird will notify owners and replace the short power cable with a longer one free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on August 31, 2006. 06V-261

Country Coach is recalling an undetermined quantity motor homes. The Toyo 275/70R M102Z tires are defective and could fail unexpectedly. This could cause a loss of vehicle dealers will replace these tires. The recall is expected to begin on or before July 30, 2006. 06V-262

General Motors is recalling 7,689 MY 2004-2005 Cadillac XLR passenger vehicles. The daylight running lights (DRL), turn signal, and parking lamps use the same bulb. The bulb may become damaged from vibration within a loose fitting socket or air entering the bulb due to an inadequate seal. Both of these conditions will cause the bulb to burn out prematurely. If this were to occur, the driver would notice that the arrow in the instrument panel would flash faster than normal when the turn signal is activated. The loss of the DRL and turn signals could fail to warn others of the driver's presence or intentions and could lead to a vehicle crash. Dealers will replace the socket and bulb in both lamps free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on July 31, 2006. 06V-263

Triple E Recreational is recalling 4 MY 2005 and 2006 Empress motor homes. The steering bolt which attaches the steering rod to the directional steering case may be

missing. Missing bolts may cause the driver to lose steering control increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will install the appropriate bolt and nuts. 06V-264

KIA is recalling 13,060 MY 2006 Sedona passenger vehicles. The rear caliper brake hoses may be out of position. An improperly positioned rear caliper brake hose may contact rear suspension components and over time breach the integrity of the hose. This would result in the loss of brake fluid, which could cause decreased brake function, leading to crash and personal injuries. Dealers will inspect the positioning of the rear caliper brake hoses and adjust or replace them free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in early September 2006. 06V-265

Toyota is recalling 34,771 MY 2001-2002 Echo and Prius passenger vehicles. Due to improper molding of the resin body of the crankshaft position sensor installed on the engine block, engine oil may penetrate the seal and enter the sensor wiring connector. The wire harness connector may not be sufficiently attached to the locking tab of the sensor wiring connector. Engine oil inside the sensor wiring connector could cause expansion due to the heat of the engine and could deform the sensor wiring connector. The connector may become disconnected, which could cause the engine to stall while driving and not be able to be restarted increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the crankshaft position sensor free of charge. The recall is expected to begin early August 2006. 06V-266

Coachmen is recalling 222 MY 2006-2006 Georgie Boy Landau, Cruise Master and Pursuit motor homes. The cabinet containing the television set that is installed in the overhead cockpit may be inadequately secured. Should the cabinet fasteners fail, the overhead television cabinet and television set may fall and could contact the windshield, driver, or passenger increasing the risk of a crash or personal injury. Dealers will inspect the cabinets and make the necessary repairs. The recall is expected to begin during July 2006. 06V-267

Utilimaster is recalling 11 MY 2005-2006 Trademaster truck bodies built on Ford LCF cab chassis. The wiring harness (consisting of wires and split conduit) to the cargo light switch located on the dash may be incorrectly routed. The harness, if secured to the steering shaft, could possibly lead to wiring entanglement at the gearbox universal joint. This could result in additional effort to turn the steering wheel with reduced vehicle control increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will reroute the wiring harness to the cargo light switch away from the steering column shaft. The recall is expected to begin during July 2006. 06V-268

KYMCO is recalling 918 MY 2006-2007 Agility motorcycles. The mandatory engine stop switch on the right hand handlebar was not installed. This does not comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 123, 'Motorcycle Controls and Displays.' The operator will not be able to stop the engine from running by the fastest means possible in case of an emergency, increasing the risk of personal injury or a crash. Dealers will replace the engine stop switch free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during July 2006. 06V-269

Honda is recalling 1,190,000 MY 2006 Accord, Accord Hybrid, Civic, Civic Hybrid, CR-V, Element, Insight, Odyssey, Pilot, Ridgeline, S2000, Acura MDX, RL, RSX, TL, TSX, CHF50/S Metropolitan, CH80 Elite, CN250 Helix, NSS250/A/S/AS Reflex, CBR600RR, VFR800/A, CB900F, RVT1000R, CBR1000RR, ST1300/A, ST1300/P, VTX1800R/S/N, VTX1800C/F, GL1800 Goldwing; and MY 2007 Honda Fit, CN250 Helix, VT600C/CD, VT750C, VT750DC Shadow Spirit, VT1100C, and VT1100C2 passenger vehicles and motorcycles. The owner's manuals contain incorrect contact information for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Vehicle Safety Hotline. The language in the owner's manual is not in accordance with the current mandatory requirements. Honda will send a postcard to dealers and owners with the correct NHTSA Vehicle Safety Hotline information and with instructions to insert the card into the "Reporting Safety Defects" section of the owner's manual. The recall is expected to begin in early August 2006. 06V-270

Mack is recalling 7,447 MY 2007 CHN, CL, CT, CV, and CXN TRUCKS equipped with a Legris air manifold. The brass push-to-connect cartridge may unexpectedly separate from the plastic housing. If the push-to-connect cartridge that supplies the air to the park brake chambers were to separate, then the brakes could unexpectedly apply increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the air manifold free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on August 21, 2006. 06V-271

Western RV is recalling 4 MY 2006 Alpenlite fifth wheel trailers equipped with Dexter axles. The disc brake caliper mounting bolts are stripped. Insufficient clamp load between caliper and yoke can cause the caliper to disassemble and adversely affect the trailers braking system. Loss of braking can increase the risk of a crash. Dexter has modified the remedy for these vehicles (please see 06E029). A new larger caliper mounting nut will be installed. This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ06-006, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 06V-272

Featherlite is recalling 5 trailers equipped with Dexter axles. The disc brake caliper mounting bolts are stripped. Insufficient clamp load between caliper and yoke can cause the caliper to disassemble and adversely affect the trailers braking system. Loss of braking can increase the risk of a crash. All axles/trailers have been repaired. This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ06-006, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 06V-273

Mo Trailer recalled 1 MY 2006 trailer equipped with Dexter Axles. The disc brake caliper mounting bolts are stripped. Insufficient clamp load between caliper and yoke can cause the caliper to disassemble and adversely affect the trailers braking system. Loss of braking can increase the risk of a crash. This trailer has been repaired. This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ06-006, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 06V-274

Newmar is recalling 9 MY 2006-2007 Torrey Pine fifth wheel trailers equipped with Dexter axles. The disc brake caliper mounting bolts are stripped. Insufficient clamp load

between caliper and yoke can cause the caliper to disassemble and adversely affect the trailers braking system. Loss of braking can increase the risk of a crash. Dexter has modified the remedy for these vehicles (please see 06E029). A new larger caliper mounting nut will be installed. This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ06-006, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 06V-275

Airstream is recalling 22 MY 2006-2007 CLASSIC travel trailers equipped with Dexter axles. The disc brake caliper mounting bolts are stripped. Insufficient clamp load between caliper and yoke can cause the caliper to disassemble and adversely affect the trailers braking system. Loss of braking can increase the risk of a crash. Dexter has modified the remedy for these vehicles (please see 06E029). A new larger caliper mounting nut will be installed. This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ06-006, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 06V-276

BMW is recalling 11,640 MY 2006 5, 6, and 7 Series passenger vehicles. The lower rubber mount of the rear shock absorbers may not have been manufactured to specifications and may not adhere correctly to its housing within the shock absorber. The bushing could loosen and over time could separate from its housing. The driver will experience impaired vehicle handling and control increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the rear shock absorber free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during July 2006. 06V-277

Blue Bird is recalling 150 MY 2000-2003 Wanderlodge LXI motor home and LTC transit buses equipped with Detroit Diesel Series C-60 engines. The electronic control module (ECM) will require to be reprogrammed to current mainframe calibrations. Reprogramming the ECM will prevent the potential of a turbocharger failure from progressing to an engine compartment fire. Detroit Diesel is conducting this recall (please see 06E019) and will reprogram the ECM to current mainframe calibrations free of charge. 06V-278

Polaris is recalling 1,784 MY 2006 Victory Jackpot, Eightball, Kingpin, Kingpin Deluxe, And Vegas motorcycles. The fuel pump retainer clip may not be installed correctly. If the retainer clip fails, the fuel pump may not provide adequate fuel pressure, or the pump may fail entirely, which can cause poor performance or possible engine stalling, increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will install a new fuel pump retainer clip free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on July 28, 2006. 06V-279

Newmar is recalling 99 MY 2005-2007 Kountry Star, Mountain Aire, Scottsdale, AND Canyon Star Class A motor homes. Certain chassis may have been equipped with incorrect steering intermediate shafts. The spline can strip while the steering wheel is being turned. This steering condition could result in a loss of steering control, increasing the risk of a crash. Workhorse is conducting this recall (please see 06V148). They will inspect and, if necessary, replace the steering intermediate shafts free of charge. 06V-280

Haulmark is recalling 2 MY 2006 trailers equipped with Dexter axles. The disc brake caliper mounting bolts are stripped. Insufficient clamp load between caliper and yoke

can cause the caliper to disassemble and adversely affect the trailers braking system. Loss of braking can increase the risk of a crash. Dexter has modified the remedy for these vehicles (please see 06E029). A new larger caliper mounting nut will be installed. This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ06-006, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 06V-281

Alfa Leisure is recalling 5 MY 2007 Gold and Toyhouse fifth wheel trailers equipped with Dexter axles. The disc brake caliper mounting bolts are stripped. Insufficient clamp load between caliper and yoke can cause the caliper to disassemble and adversely affect the trailers braking system. Loss of braking can increase the risk of a crash. Dexter has modified the remedy for these vehicles (please see 06E029). All trailers were corrected at the manufacturing plant. This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ06-006, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 06V-282

International is recalling 103 MY 2006 and 2007 IC CE and BE school buses. The configuration of the mounting bracket for the 39 inch track-mounted equipped CE White child safety seat fails to conform to the strength requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 210, "Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages." In the event of a vehicle crash, the mounting bracket may not provide sufficient strength to ensure that the seat occupant is properly restrained. IC Corporation will notify owners and repair the noncompliant buses free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on September 20, 2006. 06V-283

Newmar is recalling 17 MY 2006-2007 Torrey Pine fifth wheel trailers equipped with 8000 lb. tandem axles for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 120, "Tire Selection and Rims for Motor Vehicles other than Passenger Cars." The tire size listed on the Federal tag is incorrect. At the incorrectly stated pressure, the rear tires are unable to support the gross axle weight rating (GAWR) for the rear axle. Dealers will install a new Federal ID tag with the correct tire information free of charge. 06V-284

Country Coach is recalling 25 MY 2001 and 2005-2007 XLII motor homes equipped with Detroit Diesel Series C-60 engines. The electronic control module (ECM) will require to be reprogrammed to current mainframe calibrations. Reprogramming the ECM will prevent the potential of a turbocharger failure from progressing to an engine compartment fire. Detroit Diesel is conducting this recall (please see 06E019) and will reprogram the ECM to current mainframe calibrations free of charge. 06V-285